

**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 3700****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Priv.-Doz. Dr. med. Hans Michael Ockenfels      Examiner: David M. Shay  
Serial No.: 10/689463      Group Art Unit: 3735  
Filed: October 20, 2003      Docket No.: 01840.0001-US-01  
Title: LASER THERAPY DEVICE FOR THE TREATMENT OF SKIN DISEASES

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on June 26, 2006.

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**Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This reply is submitted in response to the Final Rejection dated February 24, 2006, which sets a three month shortened statutory period for response that expires on May 24, 2006. A formal Petition to extend the shortened statutory period to June 26, 2006 (June 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> being weekend days), or as necessary to avoid abandonment of the application is appended, but the Office may consider the statement to be a substitutive petition and authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1038 in the event that the formal petition is missing or defective. Amendments to the claims are reflected on the listing of claims that begins on the next page. Remarks begin on page 6. This reply contains no amendments to the specification or drawings. Further examination and reconsideration respectfully are requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.